

REMARKS

Claims 1-45 were pending in this application and were subject to Restriction Requirements. Claims 1, 7, 8, 11, 27, 33, 42 and 45 were amended and claims 4, 5, 30 and 31 were canceled. Thus claims 1-3, 6-29 and 32-45 are still pending in the present application. Claims 1, 7, 8, 11, 27, 33, 42 and 45 were amended to better define the invention by replacing the term "catalyst" with the term "catalytic antibody". Applicants maintain that the amendments do not introduce any new matter. Specifically, support for the term "catalytic antibody" may be found in the specification on page 1, lines 20 and 21.

Restriction Requirement and Election of Specie

Applicants elect claims 1-16 and 27-33, Group I, with traverse, for further prosecution in this application. Applicants also elect the specie of "introducing a chemical moiety to said target molecule" that "appears in claim 6.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Restriction Requirement for the same reasons indicated in their Response of October 7, 2004.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

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